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JOE PANTORNO, SPORTS EDITOR

I'm not going to sugarcoat this for you, New York. Super Bowl LII is not going to be a fun night for a lot of you, considering that two teams many Giants and Jets fans detest, the Philadelphia Eagles and New England Patriots, will square off for the NFL crown in Minneapolis on Sunday. But, at the end of the day, it still is one of the biggest days in sports. As the greatest sports town in the world (according to a few of you), it is our duty to take it all in. Check out today's issue for aspects of the big game to pay attention to and who you should root for.

ROB GRONKOWSKI'S HEALTH

In New England Patriots tight end Rob Gronkowski is one of the most uncoverable pass catchers in the NFL when he's healthy. The problem is he's not, after suffering a concussion during the AFC Championship Game against the Jacksonville Jaguars. While he is expected to play, Tom Brady's biggest target not being 100 percent could affect New England's aerial attack just enough to make the Patriots' offense misfire.



DAVID VS. GOLIATH AKA: FOLES VS. BRADY

2You might not find many more lopsided matchups in a Super Bowl than what we have at the quarterback position. Tom Brady is looking to win his sixth Super Bowl ring in his eighth trip to the title game as he further cements his place as one of the greatest quarterbacks of all time. Opposing him is Nick Foles, who was forced to step in for Carson Wentz after the Philadelphia sophomore's dazzling season was

cut short due to a torn ACL. Foles has started just 42 games between the regular season and playoffs his entire career. Brady has started 36 during his postseason career alone.



5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

SOUR SUNDAY IN NEW YORK

3New York football fans might just be watching the game for the commercials, halftime show and the spread of wings and chips. For Jets fans, this is a no-brainer as their hatred of the Patriots makes the Eagles their clear choice favorite on Super Sunday. It's been a little more difficult for Giants fans, who for some reason are willing to put their disdain for their NFC East-rival Eagles to the side just so they don't see Brady and Co. lift the Lombardi Trophy again.



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EAGLES PASS RUSH ON TOM BRADY

4The New York Giants have laid out the blueprint for beating the Patriots, and that's getting pressure on Tom Brady. That doesn't necessarily mean to blitz him, as that leaves an opposing defense susceptible to a big play. However, if the Eagles, who have one of the best pass rushes in the league, are able to get in Brady's face and rattle him, they can keep things close. Philadelphia

had the league's fourth-ranked defense this season, led by Brandon Graham, Fletcher Cox and Chris Long.



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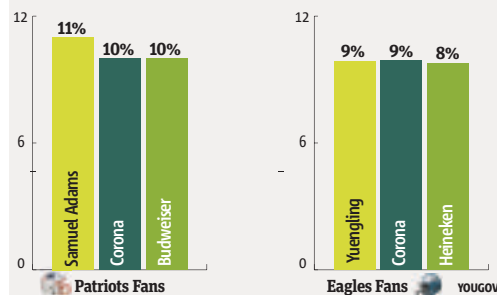
5When the Patriots are involved in a Super Bowl featuring Brady and head coach Bill Belichick, it's usually a nail-biter. In the seven previous Super Bowls that they've gone to together, the Patriots' largest margin of victory was by just six points, which came in the first overtime game in Super Sunday history last year against the Atlanta Falcons. The margins of each result in those seven Super Bowls dating back to

2002 were 3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 6. So try not to take your bathroom break in the fourth quarter, OK?



SUPER BOWL BEERS

Percentage of fans that have purchased each brand of beer ahead of Super Bowl LII.



Need a MetroCard this weekend? Bring cash



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MTA MetroCard vending machines may be cash-only starting Friday at 11:45 p.m. through 5 a.m. Monday.

If you'll need to renew your MetroCard or get a new one altogether this weekend, you better have some cold, hard cash on hand.

The MTA announced in a tweet Wednesday night that due to a scheduled software upgrade, MetroCard vending machines may not accept purchases via a debit or credit card starting Friday at 11:45 p.m. through Monday at 5 a.m.

"Plan ahead! Purchase MetroCards before Friday evening or use cash," the agency added.

In a subsequent tweet, the MTA wrote that "over the next few years, New York City Transit is phasing out the MetroCard and intro-

ducing tap-to-pay technology linked directly to electronic payment and accounts. In the meantime, sign up for EasyPayXpress to skip the lines and have your MetroCard automatically refilled."

Naturally, many New Yorkers lashed out at the MTA for the last-minute announcement.

One straphanger asked that since the machines won't accept credit cards, "that means the subway is free all weekend, right?"

"Why don't you plan ahead so that routine upgrades don't cause systemwide outages," another asked.

"Signs about this should be in the stations if you really want us to plan ahead. Not everyone checks Twitter," wrote one rider.

One straphanger jokingly (we hope) asked, "Can we pay with old subway tokens since the machines will be down?" while another wondered when he'd be able to use Bitcoin to buy his monthly MetroCard.

Since the cash-only weekend begins on Groundhog Day, one New Yorker tweeted, "Do the software release on Groundhog Day they said. Nothing bad ever

happens again and again and again on Groundhog Day they said."

One man couldn't help but wonder if the MTA is "upgrading each machine individually."



In a tweet, the MTA announced Wednesday night that MetroCard vending machines may be cash-only over the weekend, so "plan ahead," the agency said. GETTY IMAGES

THE MEMO

White House poised to approve release of explosive Republican memo

The White House will likely give Congress approval on Friday to make public a secret Republican memo alleging FBI bias against President Donald Trump in its Russia probe, a White House official said on Thursday, as tensions over the disputed document gripped Washington.

Trump, who had the authority to prevent its release, instead is likely to allow the four-page document to be made public with no redactions, the official said, in a move that could further inflame tensions between the Republican president and the top domestic law enforcement agency.

The document has become a flashpoint in a wider battle between Republicans and Democrats over special counsel Robert Mueller's criminal probe into potential collusion between Trump's 2016 presidential campaign and Russia. Mueller's probe grew out of the FBI's Russia investigation after Trump fired the agency's previous director.

Mueller's investigation and the FBI probe that preceded it have hung over Trump's year-old presidency. The president has called Mueller's investigation a "witch hunt" and "hoax."

Democrats have painted the memo crafted by Republican members of the House Intelligence Committee as misleading, based on a selective use of highly classified data and intended to discredit Mueller's work.

The FBI expressed "grave concerns about material omissions of fact" in the memo, whose release has the potential to prompt high-level resignations in law enforcement agencies.

Democrats have said Trump's allies hope to use the memo to potentially give Trump an excuse to fire Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein or even Mueller.

But Republican Speaker Paul Ryan defended the document's release, saying it was part of congressional oversight of electronic surveillance such as that used in the Russia probe and important to protect American civil liberties.

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New MTA police officers have a nose for bomb detection



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Thirteen K-9 (and human) officers just completed a 12-week explosives training course.

The MTA Police Department just gained 52 extra boots, err, paws on the ground to help detect explosive devices.

Thirteen canines and their human counterparts graduated from the department's explosives detection and anti-terrorism training and were honored at a ceremony at Grand Central Terminal on Thursday. The K-9s are officially police officers and have police shields attached to their collars.



Thirteen canines and their human counterparts just graduated from the MTA PD's explosives detection center update. **MTA**

"Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, canine officer teams maintain a watchful presence over the MTA's entire system. ... Last year alone, the unit responded to over 25,000 calls for service and cleared 4,015 unattended packages," MTA Chief of Police Owen Monaghan said in a statement.

With about 50 dogs on

the force, the MTA PD has one of the biggest canine bomb squads in the U.S., and only about one in 30 trainees is skilled enough to graduate the program, the agency said.

Although they are new to the force, the bomb detection teams were already put to work back in December as extra patrol units at Grand Central and Penn Station.

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NYC to invest \$6M to help break cycle of incarceration for women

New York City first lady Chirlane McCray announced Thursday that the city is investing \$6 million in programs aimed at breaking the cycle of incarceration for women.

The city will expand programs that increase behavioral-health services, support family resilience and build a network to help women re-enter society and avoid returning to jail. This is a continuation of efforts to reduce women's incarceration in the city, which has dropped 23 percent during the de Blasio administration.

Helping women with the issues that often lead to jail will also benefit their children. The majority of women incarcerated on Rikers Island have a child or serve as the caretaker of another family member, officials said.

"Women need services that are gender responsive while they are



NYC has made an investment in programs to help imprisoned women. GETTY IMAGES

incarcerated and as they navigate their reconnection to their children and families, including employment skill development and secure stable housing," McCray said in a statement.

"With this new investment, we will ensure that women in prison get the behavioral health services they need to maintain healthier relationships with their children and provide families with better wraparound supports," she added.

Women are 7 percent of the overall jail popula-

tion in the city, but they are more likely than incarcerated men to have histories of trauma, mental illness and substance misuse, experts said.

This investment will address those issues, with the aim of keeping women out of jail, McCray said, and preventing their children from facing higher rates of school dropout, homelessness, learning disabilities and chronic health conditions, which are often associated with someone whose parents are incarcerated. KRISTIN TOUSSAINT

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Immigrants ignite the economy in these states, study finds



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Using four key factors, WalletHub analyzed the states that see the most — and least — economic impact from immigration.

With the country's immigration policy — from border security and the looming DACA termination to President Trump's travel ban on mostly Muslim countries — remaining a hotly debated topic, WalletHub has taken a look at the economic impact immigrants have in the U.S.

Using four key factors (immigrant workforce, socioeconomic contribu-



WalletHub ranked New York State as seeing the most economic impact from immigration, based on its metrics. PIXABAY

tion, brain gain and innovators, and international students) and 19 metrics ranging from median household income of the foreign-born population to the number of jobs created by immigrant-owned businesses, the personal finance website analyzed which states benefit most — and least — from immigration.

New York ranked first overall, with California, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Delaware rounding out the Top 5.

Pennsylvania, where Metro publishes in Philadelphia, ranked 15th overall. Last year, California took the top spot, with New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts and the District of Columbia following in line.

States with the least impact from immigration overall are Mississippi, Wyoming, Montana, South Dakota and Idaho. Last year, Wyoming, Louisiana, South Dakota, Kentucky and Mississippi brought up the rear.

California has the biggest share of foreign-born residents, with 27 percent, 17.2 times higher than West Virginia, which has the lowest immigrant population.

Looking a little deeper, here's what else WalletHub's study discovered:

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"It's unfortunate that we have to constantly remind people that this population plays such an important role in our day-to-day lives," said Saima Anjam, senior director of advocacy at the New York Immigration Coalition. **PROVIDED**

NYC: AN ECONOMIC MELTING POT

Saima Anjam, senior director of advocacy at the New York Immigration Coalition (NYIC), wasn't surprised to find the Empire State in the top slot of WalletHub's new study.

"Immigrants make up the fabric of our city and our society as a whole, so I think it's really important to keep this and cities like this in mind," she said. "It's unfortunate that we have to constantly remind people that this population plays such an important role in our day-to-day lives. Everybody, every day, comes across someone who is an immigrant."

In New York City, where there are more than 3 million immigrants, more than 83,000 of them own a business, Anjam said. "They make up 46 percent of the city's employed population and almost 40 percent of its total population."

Foreign-born New Yorkers also earn 32 percent of total earnings in the city. "When we talk about placing restrictions on immigrant populations, we have to remember they're taxpayers, they're homeowners, and they are supporting this economy and structure we've built around us."

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A park over the congested Cross-Bronx Expressway would have health and monetary benefits for residents, according to Columbia researchers. WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

A park over Cross-Bronx Expressway would save lives and money: Report



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Columbia University's School of Public Health researchers looked into the benefits of a deck park over the congested freeway.

As city dwellers, it's nice to have a nearby park where we can see a bit of green among all of New York's concrete.

But depending on exactly where that park is located, it may have way bigger benefits than just aesthetics, like residents living longer and saving money, according to a new report.

Researchers at Mailman School of Public Health looked into the cost-effectiveness of a deck park, or elevated park, built on top of the Cross-Bronx Expressway — a major freeway that was rated one of the most congested roadways in the country.

Using a computer simulation, the researchers were able to look at how a park over a 2.4-mile section of the highway would affect the nearly 230,000 people who live nearby.

That green space would benefit each resident to the tune of an extra \$1,629 and nearly two months of healthy living added to their life expectancy, researchers found.

"It is extremely rare for social policy investments to save both money and lives," said Peter Muennig, senior author of the study and a professor of health policy and management, in a statement. "Examples include vaccines and basic automobile safety measures like seatbelts. Turning a highway into a park is a bit of a seatbelt

or vaccine for a whole neighborhood."

The expressway, 6.5 miles long in total, has been linked to a number of health problems in the community. The more than 175,000 vehicles driving on the expressway per day have contributed to air pollution, experts say, which in turn has led to respiratory issues, like asthma, for residents.

"If you start looking at the statistics, it's very mind-boggling the statistics on asthma in the Bronx. It's mainly related to the built environment," said one informant for a 2014 Bronx Community Needs Assessment report. "I mean there is a genetic predisposition, no doubt. ... But we call it the asthma alley because ... you have I-87 Highway, you have the Cross Bronx [Expressway], then you have I-95."

Although a park over the expressway would cost about \$757 million, the benefits would more than make up for that price tag, according to the report, published in the American Journal of Public Health.

A park would increase property values, which would help cover that cost, and also lead to improved schools and lower crime, researchers said. The green space would not only work to counter the air pollution but would also lead to fewer pedestrian accidents and opportunities for residents to get exercise.

This would be beneficial because, according to Muennig, the neighborhoods through which the expressway cuts see some of the highest rates of diabetes and obesity in the city.

"Turning sections of this highway into a park is a unique opportunity to reverse this damage," he said.

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Daniela Vega shines as the grieving Marina in the Oscar nominated film. SONY PICTURES CLASSIC

'A Fantastic Woman' is dangerous in all the right ways

Director Sebastian Lelio on the inspiration behind the critically acclaimed transgender drama.



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In hindsight, Sebastian Lelio had absolutely nothing to worry about.

Not only has "A Fantastic Woman" been met with critical acclaim but it has been an awards season darling, notching up numerous nominations — including a Best Foreign Language Film nomination at the 90th Academy Awards.

The film tells the story of transgender singer Marina (played by an astounding Daniela Vega) who is unable to grieve the death of her older lover, Orlando, due to the increasing interference of his family. But because of the divisive nature of "A Fantastic Woman," co-writer and director Lelio feared the worst.

"At the very beginning I thought they were going to destroy it," Lelio says over the phone. "[But] everywhere we have been, it's been received with great love and warmth. We feel very lucky."

Long before this positive response, though, Lelio had prepared himself for a fight. In fact, that was one of the main reasons he was interested in the film.

"After 'Gloria,' my previous film, I felt like I had an open territory in front of me," he says. "And I wanted it to be problematic. I wanted to get myself into new problems."

"My co-writer and I started to play around with the idea of what happens when the person you love dies in your arms," he continues. "That's the worst place for that person to die. Especially if, for some reason, you are the un-

wanted one."

From there, an idea popped up: What if this tragedy happened to a transgender woman?

"That was a milestone in the process," he says. "It sounded exciting and beautiful and s a d

and difficult and full of traps. It was dangerous. Morally dangerous, aesthetically dangerous. These were all good signs."

From there, Lelio was confronted by what he calls, "the casting problem." But he soon realized it wouldn't feel right to cast anyone other than a transgender actress.

After using Daniela Vega as a cultural ambassador during the development and writing of "A Fantastic Woman," it didn't take long for Lelio to realize just how perfect she would be as Marina.

"I knew, if we succeeded, the beauty of what she would bring to the film," he says. "She would move it into a different direction... Daniela's body and eyes and skin carry something that is very difficult for a cisgender actor to bring. The camera knows that. I really wanted that layer of complexity."

"A Fantastic Woman" is out in theaters Friday, Feb. 2.



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'A Fantastic Woman'

Director: Sebastian Lelio
Stars: Daniela Vega, Francisco Reyes
Rating: R
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"A Fantastic Woman" doesn't need to scream or strain in order to make you fall in love with it. Instead, the drama unfolds slowly. The pace allows audiences to feel the embrace

of the warm, loving couple Marina (Daniela Vega) and Orlando (Francisco Reyes), while also nonchalantly setting up the plots and conflicts that explode in a pointed and thought-provoking manner.

The death of Orlando is the catalyst that brings Marina, her plight and the constant struggles she faces on a daily basis to the fore. She almost constantly faces shy looks, discrimination, disparaging comments and

physical danger. Not to mention the ire she faces from Orlando's ex-wife and family. Daniela Vega's performance is absorbing, stoic, vulnerable and heartfelt — she ensures the audience feels every barb.

Sure, "A Fantastic Woman" might unfold in a relatively straightforward manner, but it's so moving and impactful that the film will instantly increase awareness and mold the minds of those that see it.

GREGORY WAKEMAN

'On Body And Soul'

Director: Ildikó Enyedi
Stars: Géza Morcsányi, Alexandra Borbély
Rating: N/R
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For most of its opening act "On Body and Soul" feels lost. While it establishes the isolation of its leading pair Endre (Géza Morcsányi) and Maria (Alexandra Borbély), audiences are left with little more than a humdrum sense of "meh."

But once that exposition is out of the way, and it's revealed that the two share the same dream, the duo begins to connect. Suddenly "On Body and Soul" finds its rhythm and becomes more precise with its ambitions and themes. What follows is a bizarre love story that becomes increasingly arresting, romantic, comical and suspenseful as Endre and Maria try to find out what's brought them together.

This foreign-language idiosyncratic love story may be shooting for an art house crowd (with the nominations to prove it), but any audience will appreciate it gets better and better with each passing minute. **GW**



Alexandra Borbély and Géza Morcsányi create a beguiling relationship. **NETFLIX**



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The bleak, cold future of 'Altered Carbon'

A world where death is just the beginning?

File under: highly streamable.



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This Friday, Netflix will premiere the wildly ambitious, futuristic neo-noir "Altered Carbon" — a series that will surely have you bingeing hard through the weekend. Based on the cyberpunk novel by Richard K. Morgan, "Altered Carbon" takes place 300 years in the future, in a world where human consciousness can be uploaded into a brand new body (AKA a "sleeve") when you die.

The series tells the tale of once-defected military officer Takeshi Kovacs, now born into a brand new sleeve (played by Joel Kinnaman) after he was killed in a fiery shootout with the police hundreds

of years earlier. Kovacs quickly learns that he was brought back into the world by wealthy businessman Laurens Bancroft (James Purefoy) in order to investigate — wait for it — Bancroft's own death.

From there, the show moves at a relentless pace, following Kovacs through this near-dystopian future as he discovers the gruesome circumstances of Bancroft's murder. He's joined by a group of misfits of varying degrees, including fiery policewoman Kristin Ortega (Martha Higareda), with whom he forges an unlikely partnership in order to find out what's what.

Kinnaman shines as the brooding Kovacs, a man outside of his own time, operating in an unfamiliar world and a new body. It's the kind of role the "Suicide Squad" actor was born to play. His magnetic charisma keeps

your focus, whether he's mumbling perfect one-liners in a molasses-slow drawl or putting his fists through everyone who stands between him and the truth.

The world of "Altered Carbon" that creator Laeta Kalogridis has built is similar to both the grimy sprawl of "Blade Runner" and the ruthless, class-divided society of the "Hunger Games" series. Every piece of scenery has something more to it than meets the eye, giving the show a caustic yet vibrant feel to it.

But beware: "Altered Carbon" does have an extremely complex plot-line and can be hard to follow at times. Don't let that get in your way, though. Once you give the show some time to dig its claws into you, they'll be in there for the entire series.

"Altered Carbon" premieres Friday, Feb. 2 on Netflix.



Joel Kinnaman as Takeshi Kovacs in Netflix's 'Altered Carbon'. NETFLIX

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NEW YORKERS, TIME TO ROOT FOR THE PATRIOTS

OPINION



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The worst day of the year is upon us, New York.

A Super Bowl featuring the New England Patriots and the Philadelphia Eagles, these two teams the longtime foes of New York's two respective NFL teams, is nothing short of a nightmare scenario for fans in this city. Cheering for either team is downright dirty for us, seeing the cheaters to the north or those folks who believe Rocky was real lift the Vince Lombardi Trophy is a lose-lose proposition.

It's enough to make the country's largest city go off the grid Sunday night.

The Patriots have long been the perennial powerhouse of the AFC East, the team's singular stumble of any note coming in 2010 in a Divisional Round loss to the New York Jets in the "Can't Wait" game.

The bad blood between the Eagles and the New York Giants is legendary, a rivalry that is perhaps as deep on both sides as any in the NFL.

All of which makes this coming Sunday a doomsday situation. Time to watch the kitten bowl.

The very idea of either team winning the Super Bowl is anathema to



Giants and Jets fans are not going to enjoy Sunday's Super Bowl, but Kristian Dyer believes the Patriots are the right choice for New Yorkers. GETTY IMAGES

everything New Yorkers believe in when it comes to the gridiron. Either of these teams is enough to make Giants or Jets fans' blood boil, ruining the Super Bowl this year for many in New York and New Jersey.

But one of these choices is the clear-cut lesser of two evils. A choice that whether you are a blue-blooded Giants fan or a fire helmet-wearing Jets fan is easy to make for this Sunday.

So grab a crock of some New England *chow-duh* and some Yankee beans. Time, oh cynical New Yorker, to cheer on the Patriots.

Yes, those are words that are especially sickening for Jets fans who

loathe everything about *Patriots Way*. There's the smugness of head coach Bill Belichick and the fact that the Jets had seven — yes seven — opportunities to take quarterback Tom Brady in the 2000 NFL draft and didn't. From *Deflategate* to some humiliating losses in recent years, there is every reason to hate on the Patriots.

In a weird way though, by embracing the Patriots this once, it might hasten their overall end.

The faster that this team wins what would be their sixth Super Bowl, the faster Jets fans can hope that this dynasty evaporates. A win this year is perhaps the best bet that Belichick or

Brady will retire, that trips to Foxborough won't be so loathsome and that the entire AFC East will be up for grabs.

They might just finally be satisfied on their largesse. Be bowled over by their latest win.

A beautiful dream given the fact that these young Jets have a huge war chest with which to spend and chase after free agents this offseason. Were the Patriots to dissipate after this Super Bowl then the division is wide open. The Jets could very quickly ascend atop the AFC East, a return to the playoffs could be nigh.

A Patriots win this Sunday is the best bet for Jets fans. An Eagles Super Bowl triumph,

while a short-term fix and something that would feel so good for one night in the land of 'Gang Green' won't tip the balance of power in the AFC anytime soon.

A New England win and perhaps Brady hangs it up and Belichick fades onto the golf course. Perhaps the competitive fires are quenched. The dynasty, maybe, simply ends.

For Giants fans, there need not be much of an argument to convince them to root against New England.

And the rationale to root for Brady and the Patriots is easier for Giants fans to swallow. A win by the Eagles would be devastating. Phila-

delphia has an exciting young quarterback, a fantastic defense and some real momentum. Things are on the uptick down there.

Philadelphia, given quarterback Carson Wentz's ascendancy this year, was already going to be an easy sell for free agents. Throw in a Super Bowl title and suddenly the Eagles would have the making of a dynasty. It would cement that the organization has arrived, a true doomsday scenario for the Giants.

The Giants best bet against this purgatory is to try and nip this thing in the bud, see the Patriots win and the Eagles lose then spend this offseason regrouping from their abysmal 3-13 record. If Philadelphia wins, might as well chalk up the next decade to the Eagles running the roost in the NFC East.

Time, oh Giants fan, to cross your fingers and hope that New England wins. Again.

It's not an easy pill to swallow, after all, can't both these cities lose on Sunday?

But a Patriots win in the Super Bowl is the best bet for New York to have a viable football future for the next decade. Hope that they win, cheer on this Super Bowl and cross one's fingers that the dynasty is closer to being over than not... that a dynasty in Philadelphia is never born.

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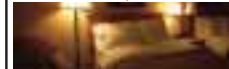
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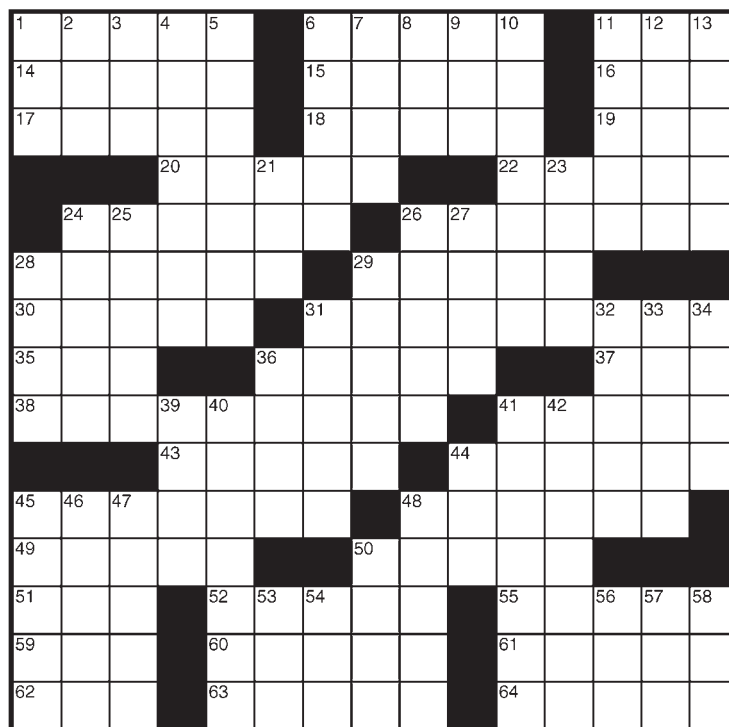
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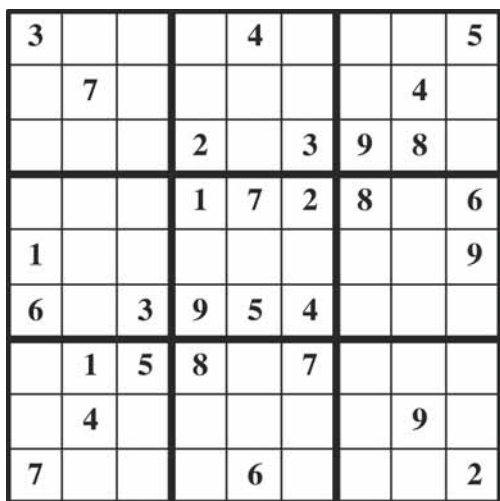
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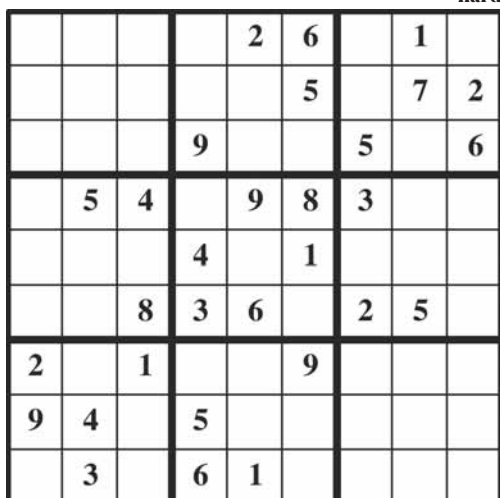


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Aries When it comes to contracts, legal matters, money and health, you are best off listening carefully. Someone will mislead you or withhold information.



Taurus Listen and learn. You will pick up valuable information that will help you outmaneuver someone trying to lead you in a direction that would be costly financially.



Gemini Do your own thing. Learn from experience and stay focused on making changes that will help you be the best you can be. Don't give in to emotional manipulation.



Cancer Home, family and personal relationships should be your top priorities. Make plans that will bring you closer to loved ones. Share your insights.



Leo Deception is apparent when it comes to how you handle your money. Don't let your generosity overpower reason. Concentrate on making money, not on spending it.



Virgo Do your best to help the other people in your life. Exhibit understanding and offer kindness and solutions that will encourage others to take greater initiative.



Libra Keep your secrets tucked away someplace safe. Someone will pry into your personal affairs if you aren't careful. Look inward and make healthy lifestyle changes.



Scorpio You can be creative without breaking the bank. A moderate approach to what you want to pursue is a good place to start. Avoid temptation and indulgent behavior.



Sagittarius Emotional deception is apparent. Be realistic when it comes to acknowledging the limits of your capabilities. Don't take on something that will set you up for failure.



Capricorn Get your ducks in a row. Knowing where you stand legally or with regard to your health will help you make important decisions that will shape your future.



Aquarius A partnership will lack trust. Emotional manipulation or ulterior motives may help you initially, but in the end you will be exposed if you aren't honest and open.



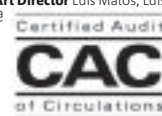
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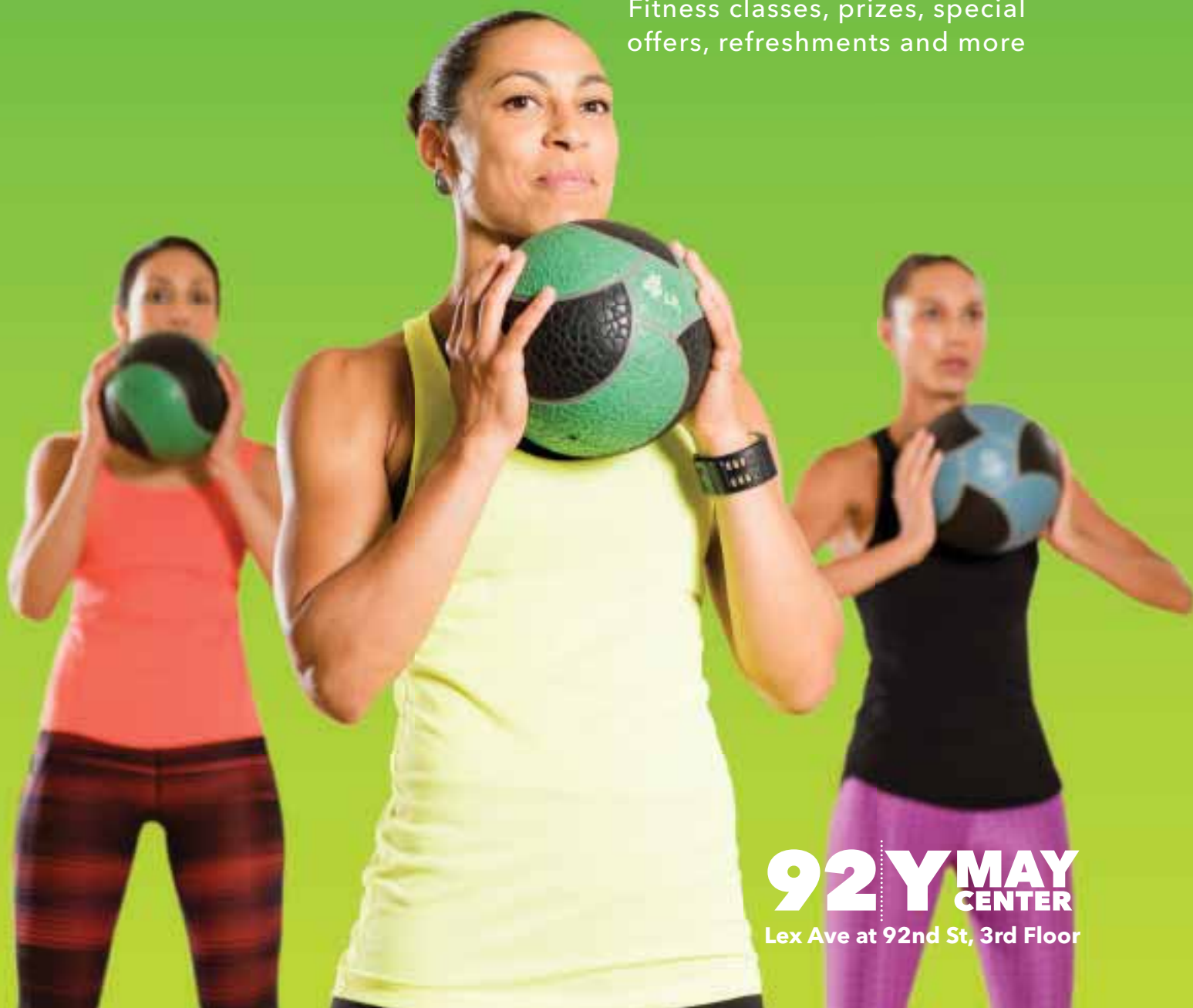
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